# COOKEVILLE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 15, 2013 5:30 P.M.

The Council of the City of Cookeville met in regular session on Thursday, August 15, 2013, at 5:30 p.m., in the Municipal Building, 45 East Broad Street. Mayor Swallows called for a moment of silent prayer, and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Swallows then called the meeting to order and asked the Clerk to call the roll. Present and answering roll call were:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

Also present: Jim Shipley, City Manager; Cathy McClain, City Clerk and Dan Rader, City Attorney.

# CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Councilman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Woodford, to approve the agenda as submitted. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 1, 2013

Councilman Anderson made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve said minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Woodford. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

Mayor Swallows recognized Jeff Crain, Wastewater Collection Foreman, for a good deed done as follows:

From: Tim Richardson [mailto:tim@enlivenpartnership.com]
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2013 12:42 PM
To: Ronnie Kelly
Cc: Matt Swallows; Jim Shipley
Subject: Praise for Jeff Crain, Wastewater Collection Foreman

Dear Mr. Kelly,

I just wanted you to know what a fine thing one of your colleagues, Jeff Crain, did for me and my family this past Thursday. My wife and I were pulling a trailer with some furniture to our cabin near the Big South Fork. Just west of Cookeville, on I-40, one of the tires on our trailer blew out. I crept along the side of the highway to the first exit, which I believe was the Baxter Road exit. I parked out of the way and began to investigate the damage and try to resolve the matter. About this time, my two boys, who were following us in another vehicle, pulled in next to me to help, too. The trailer wheel lug nuts are a different size from those on my vehicle and from those on my son's vehicle. So, our lug nut wrenches would not fit the trailer lug nuts, and we quickly determined that we had a bigger problem on our hands than we originally thought.

About this time, Mr. Crain happened by and stopped to see if he could help. Boy did he! He quickly noticed that my trailer wheel was a Chevy model and then promptly went back to his house about a 1/2 mile away to get a spare Chevy wheel and tire that he happened to have on hand. He also brought a universal lug wrench and his hydraulic jack. In just a few short minutes, he had my old tire off and the new tire on. He even gave my son his universal lug wrench so that we'd all be better prepared if something like this happened again. Mr. Crain did not want to accept any payment from me, but I insisted. His motivation was clearly just to be a good samaritan, to do a good deed for a stranger in need. If we had to pay for road side assistance and a new tire, I'm sure that it would have cost a lot more than I got Mr. Crain to accept.

l already had a favorable opinion of Cookeville as a town, but now I have an even more favorable opinion of your fine city, I should also mention that Mr, Crain still had his city uniform on and was driving a city

truck. He mentioned that he had just put in an extra long shift at work (b/c of all the recent rains, I suppose). So it was clear to us all that the city of Cookeville is able to attract and keep fine people on the payroll! Kudos to you for that.

Mr. Crain is a good example to me and to my sons. My family and I will pay his good deed forward. In this way, Mr. Crain has made a positive difference in our lives and in the world at large, for which I am very grateful.

Please pass this note along to Mr. Crain, as I did not get an email address for him.

Best,

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

CONSIDER AWARDING BID FOR ANNUAL VEHICLE SERVICING – ALL DEPTS.

RECOMMENDED: DEPARTMENT HEAD

#### CITY OF COOKEVILLE BID TABULATION SCHEDULE

DATE OF BID OPENING: 8-	TIME: 10:	00 A.M.		
BIDS OPENED BY: CATHY MCC				
BIDS WITNESSED BY: TRILBY		- TAX DEPT		
DEPARTMENT: ALL CITY DEP				
BIDDERS	OIL CHANGE			
BIBBLIO	(up to 6 qts)			
CLEAN-CARE AUTOCARE MOBIL 1	\$18.90			
LUBE EXPRESS				
HAVOLINE XPRESS LUBE	\$22.95			
EXPRESS OIL CHANGE	\$25.99			
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CAPPROVED: CITY MANAGER

BUDGET AVAILABILITY: FINANCE DIRECTOR

CONSIDER AWARDING BID FOR PAVING & ASPHALT MIX (6 MONTHS) – PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

> CITY OF COOKEVILLE BID TABULATION RECORD

## PAVING AND ASPHALT MIX

6 MONTH CONTRACT

DEPARTMENT	Public Works	
BIDS OPENED BY:	Tracy Meggs	
OPENING WITNESSED BY:	Blake Herron	

DATE OF BID OPENING: August 6, 2013 TIME OF BID OPENING: 10:00 AM

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BIDDERS	GRADE D	GRADE E	GRADE A	B-MOD	411 E	COLD		
HIGHWAYS, INC.	\$82.90	\$74.90	\$64.90	\$66.90	\$66.00	\$88,00		
LOJAC ENTERPRISES	\$93.50	\$83.50	\$69,00	\$80,00	\$70.00	\$80.00		

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED DO HEREBY RECOMMEND THE BID	FRO HIGHWAYS, INC (LOJAC FOR COLD MIX)				
BE AWARDED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:	LOW BIDDER				
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CONSIDER AWARDING BID FOR MINERAL AGGREGATE (6 MONTHS) – PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

CITY OF COOKEVILLE
BID TABULATION RECORD
ROCK

DEPARTMENT	Public Works
	Tracy Meggs
OPENING WITNESSED BY:	Blake Herron

DATE OF BID OPENING: August 6, 2013
TIME OF BID OPENING: 10:00 am

BIDDERS	CRUSHER RUN	#57 STONE	2 INCH ROCK	3 INCH ROCK	CLEAN	PUG MIX	SHOT	DELIVERY
ROGERS GROUP	\$8.00	\$10.50	\$9.50	No Bid	\$11.50	\$8.50	\$8.00	\$3.50
VULVAN MATERIALS	\$8.00	\$13.00	\$13.00	No Bid	\$13.00	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$3.75

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED DO HEREBY RECOMMEND THE BID FROM ROGERS GROUP AND VULCAN

BE AWARDED FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:

LOW BIDDER

BUDGET AVAILABILITY: FINANCE DIRECTOR

APPROVAL: CITY MANAGER

Councilman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Woodford, to approve the consent agenda items as submitted. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

RECEIVE FINDINGS &
RECOMMENDATIONS
OF THE CLASSIFICATION/
BENEFITS/COMPENSATION
STUDY AND AUTHORIZE
THE CITY MANAGER TO
IMPLEMENT NEW SALARY
PAY PLAN

Steve Thompson, Vice-President of Burris, Thompson & Associates in Nashville, TN, gave a detailed report & Jim Shipley, City Manager, explained the step-by-step process of this study & approximate cost of \$584,568.00 to implement this new salary pay plan to attract and retain valuable employees (tenure & performance based).

# The Summary of Activity

- · Contract approved January 29, 2013.
- Fact Finding Meetings were held with Employees, Focus Groups and Directors.
- Job Analysis The consultant reviewed all job descriptions and employee questionnaires, compiled Comparative Market Data, and submitted his first draft.
- Eleven employee meetings were held this week to give all interested employees an overview of the new plan.

Councilman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Woodford, to authorize the City Manager to implement the new salary pay plan from Burris, Thompson & Associates effective 10-1-13. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER ON FIRST READING ORDINANCE #013-08-11, PROVIDING A TAX LEVY FOR THE 2013-2014 FISCAL YEAR

Mike Davidson, Finance Director, gave a detailed report as follows (no tax rate increase):

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General Fund	\$0.79
General Obligation Debt Service Fund	*****
Economic Development 5	0.06
Economic Development Fund	0.04
Quality of Life Fund	0.01

Total \$0.90

Councilman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Woodford, to approve on first reading Ordinance #O13-08-11. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER ON FIRST READING ORDINANCE #013-08-12, AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FINANCIAL AID TO PUBLIC SERVICE, NONPROFIT, AND CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE 2013-2014 FISCAL YEAR

Mike Davidson, Finance Director, gave a detailed report.

Councilman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Woodford, to approve on first reading Ordinance #O13-08-12. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER ON FIRST READING ORDINANCE #013-08-13, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VARIOUS FUNDS, DEPARTMENTS, AND AGENCIES OF THE CITY OF COOKEVILLE, TN FOR THE 2013-2014 FISCAL YEAR

Mike Davidson, Finance Director, gave a detailed report.

Councilman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Woodford, to approve on first reading Ordinance #O13-08-13. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

CONSIDER ON FIRST READING ORDINANCE #013-08-14, AMENDING TITLE 18, CHAPTERS 1 & 2 OF THE COOKEVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE, PERTAINING TO WATER & SEWER RATES

Councilman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Councilman Woodford, to approve on first reading Ordinance #O13-08-14. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

HEAR MAYORAL APPOINTMENT TO THE PUTNAM COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mayor Matt Swallows announced his recommendation of the appointment of Randal Petrie to the Putnam County Senior Citizens Board of Directors.

Councilman Vice-Mayor Epps made a motion, seconded by Councilman Anderson, to appoint Randal Petrie to the Putnam County Senior Citizens Board of Directors. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows Vice-Mayor Larry Epps Councilman Alma Anderson Councilman Connie Albrecht Councilman Jim Woodford

The City Clerk announced that the motion carried.

## **HEARING OF CITIZENS AND/OR DELEGATIONS:**

No one spoke at this time.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Woodford made a motion, seconded by Councilman Albrecht, to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Upon call for a vote, the following voted aye:

Mayor Matt Swallows
Vice-Mayor Larry Epps
Councilman Alma Anderson
Councilman Connie Albrecht
Councilman Jim Woodford

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ATTEST:	Matt Swallows, Mayor	
Cathy McClain, City Clerk		